IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Amended) An electrical resistor assembly of the type affixed to a blower casing of a heating, venting, and air conditioning blower motor for resisting the flow of electricity to the blower motor from an electrical circuit, said assembly including:

a connector;

a heat dissipater for dissipating heat generated by electrical current flowing through the circuit;

a housing holding said dissipater and said connector;

a seal for providing a leak proof mating surface between said assembly and the casing;

said housing including at least one catch for fixedly attaching said assembly to the casing and including at least one break-away element for providing access to said catch for releasing said catch from the casing.

2. (Original) An assembly as set forth in claim 1, wherein said assembly includes a connector for connecting said assembly to the electrical circuit.

3. (Original) An assembly as set forth in claim 2, wherein said at least one break-away element includes a notch for disconnecting said at least one break-away element from said housing.

4. (Original) An assembly as set forth in claim 3, wherein said at least one break-away element includes a tab for gripping said at least one break-away element.

5. (Original) An assembly as set forth in claim 4, wherein said housing includes a groove having said seal disposed therein, said groove traversing said at least one break-away element.

6. (Original) An assembly as set forth in claim 5, wherein said connector includes a plurality of pins for joining said heat dissipater to the electrical circuit.

7. (Original) An assembly as set forth in claim 6, wherein said heat dissipater comprises a ceramic plate.

8. (Canceled)

9. (Currently Amended) A housing for affixing a heat dissipating electrical resistor to a blower casing of a heating, venting, and air conditioning blower motor, said housing including:

a seal for providing a leak proof mating surface between said housing and the casing;

opposing catches for fastening said housing to the casing; and

at least one break-away element for providing access to at least one of said opposing catches for releasing opposing catches from the casing.

10. (Original) An assembly as set forth in claim 9, wherein said at least one break-away element includes a notch for disconnecting said at least one break-away element from said housing.

11. (Original) An assembly as set forth in claim 10, wherein said at least one break-away element includes a tab for gripping said at least one break-away element.

12. (Original) An assembly as set forth in claim 11, wherein said housing includes a groove having said seal disposed therein, said groove traversing said at least one break-away element.

13. (Original) An assembly as set forth in claim 12, wherein said at least one break-away element comprises opposing break-away elements, said opposing break-away elements providing access to each of said opposing catches.

14. (Original) A method for removing an electrical resistor assembly affixed to a casing of a heating, venting, and air conditioning blower, wherein said assembly includes opposing catches for affixing said resistor to said casing, said method comprising:

breaking a portion of said assembly;

removing said portion from said assembly for providing access to said catches;

flexing the casing or catches for releasing the casing from said catches; and

retracting said assembly from the casing.

15. (Original) A method as set forth in claim 14, wherein said step of flexing the casing or catches is further defined by inserting a tool between said catches and the casing.

16. (New) An electrical resistor assembly of the type affixed to a blower casing of a heating, venting, and air conditioning blower motor for resisting the flow of electricity to the blower motor from an electrical circuit, said assembly including:

a connector;

a heat dissipater for dissipating heat generated by electrical current flowing through the circuit;

a housing holding said dissipater and said connector;

a seal for providing a leak proof mating surface between said assembly and the casing and being received by a groove in said housing traversing said at least one break-away element;

said housing including at least one catch for fixedly attaching said assembly to the casing and including at least one break-away element for providing access to said catch.

17. (New) A housing for affixing a heat dissipating electrical resistor to a blower casing of a heating, venting, and air conditioning blower motor, said housing including:

a seal for providing a leak proof mating surface between said housing and the casing and being received by a groove in said housing traversing said at least one break-away element;

opposing catches for fastening said housing to the casing; and

at least one break-away element for providing access to at least one of said opposing catches.